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**TO:** Local Agency Formation Commission

**FROM:** Bob Aldrich, Acting Executive Officer

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**SUBJECT:** City Detachment Pre-Hearing - Proposed Columbus Grove

Reorganization (RO 04-12)

Upon receipt of any proposed change of organization or reorganization that includes the detachment of territory from a city, Government Code Section 56751 requires LAFCO to place the proposal on its agenda <u>for information purpose only</u>. Within 60 days of the meeting date, the detaching city may adopt and submit to LAFCO a resolution requesting termination of the detachment proceedings. LAFCO must terminate detachment proceedings if it receives such a request within the specified timeframe.

## **Project Description**

On June 7, 2004, the property owners of Moffett Meadows Partners, LLC filed a landowner petition with LAFCO for the reorganization of the Cities of Tustin and Irvine boundaries affecting approximately two parcels currently located in the City of Irvine. The proposed territory includes approximately 22 acres and will become part of a larger residential development to be known as Columbus Grove that is currently located in the City of Tustin.

The proposed reorganization will allow for the new and entire residential community to be developed and served under a single jurisdiction. The proposal includes the following:

- Detachment of approximately 22 acres from the City of Irvine and annexation of same territory to the City of Tustin
- Amendment to City of Irvine Sphere of Influence
- Amendment to City of Tustin Sphere of Influence

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## **Project Location**

The subject territory (proposed for detachment from the City of Irvine and annexation of the same territory to the City of Tustin) is located within the former Tustin Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) north of Warner Avenue, west of Harvard Avenue, and east of the Peters Canyon Channel. A vicinity map is attached.

## Waiver of 60-Day Termination Period

Under Section 56751, LAFCO may not hear and consider the proposed detachment until the 60-day termination period has expired. The law also provides, however, that LAFCO may waive the 60-day termination period if the detaching city (Irvine) adopts a resolution in support of the detachment.